Coalmeters-Office, the Day of 171

Orders made by the Fifteen Sea-Coal-meters for the City of *LONDON*, to be obſerved and practiſed by their Deputies.

ORDERED, That no Deputy Sea-Coalmeter preſume to Meaſure any Coals, in any Ship or Veſſel, until he ſhall Receive Orders from ſome of the Fifteen Sea-Coalmeters at their Publick Office; or, in their Abſence, from their Clerk, ſo to do: And that he render an Account of the juſt Meaſurement of ſuch Ship or Veſſel, as he ſhall be appointed to Meaſure, into the ſaid Office immediately after he hath Meaſured the ſame, without Fraud or Concealment.

ORDERED, That no Deputy Sea-Coalmeter ſhall leave off Meaſuring any Ship or Veſſel, from and after he ſhall have begun to Meaſure the ſame, until the whole Ship ſhall be Meaſured, unleſs he ſhall receive Orders from the ſaid Sea-Coalmeters ſo to do; or unleſs the Maſter of the Ship ſhall forbear Delivering the ſame, for Six working Days together.

ORDERED, That no Deputy Sea-Coalmeter ſhall preſume to appoint any other Deputy in his room or ſtead, without Licence firſt had and obtained from the Sea-Coalmeters attending at the Publick Office.

ORDERED, That every Deputy Sea-Coalmeter, who ſhall be appointed to Meaſure Coals in any Ship or Veſſel, ſhall diligently attend at the Vat; and not only ſee the ſame well filled, but ſhall Top the ſame with three Shovels full of Coals; and ſhall not permit or ſuffer any other Coals to be thrown or fall into the Lighter than is in the ſaid Vat; and ſhall ſee the Vat cleared of all Coals put therein, without Loſs; ſo that the Buyer and Seller may have equal Juſtice.

ORDERED, That no Deputy Sea-Coalmeter ſhall, upon any pretence whatſoever, ſuffer any Coals to remain in any Ship or Veſſel unmeaſured, exceeding Vat, which may be neceſſary for the Uſe of ſuch Ship, in a Voyage to *Newcaſtle*: And that if the Maſter or other Perſon aboard the ſaid Ship, ſhall obſtruct the Meaſuring of ſuch Coals, ſo left, then, and in ſuch Caſe, or in any other Caſe, when he ſhall be obſtructed in doing his Duty, the ſaid Deputy ſhall immediately apply himſelf to the ſaid Office, and there give an Account of the ſaid Obſtruction, and by whom, and what quantity of Coals he thinks may be remaining in ſuch Ship or Veſſel, or the Reaſon of ſuch Obſtruction, ſo as Right may be done to all Parties.

ORDERED, That the ſeveral Deputy-Coalmeters, and every of them, immediately after they, or any of them, have Meaſured any Ship or Veſſel, ſhall lock up the Vat in the Lodge appointed for that purpoſe, unleſs the ſame want mending; then in ſuch Caſe, they ſhall carry the ſame to the Publick Office, and take one other Vat to Meaſure Coals, until the Vat ſo wanting be amended.

To one of the Deputies to the Fifteen Sea-Coalmeters for the City of London.